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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I choose a competitive provider since they actually provides competition in my region compared to the larger telecom companies. They offer the same service with no contracts and a lower fee. They also have immensely better customer support. I've lived in areas where there was only one choice for internet and it is incredibly frustrating that there isn't another option to choose if I am not satisfied with the service. By hindering competition you hurt consumers by removing their ability to take their business elsewhere, leaving one option that has no real reason to improve and provides no accountability for a telecom with no competition.

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